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1. The new Kuchyna airfield is about two km. southwest of the town of Kuchyna and about one km. west of the single-track railroad line between Zohor (P 49/S 81) and Plavecki Svaty Mikulas (P 49/T 03). The field is on the edge of the wooded Male Karpaty range of mountains. The Pernek mine and the railroad station of Pernek na Zahori, which is on the same railroad line, lie to the south of the airfield.
2. The airfield is about 1,000 by 2,000 meters in size. On three sides of it there is a barbed wire fence, while the side next to the wooded mountain range is not fenced.
3. The largest runway, about 1,400 m. long and 40 m. wide, runs north and south, the direction of the prevailing wind. The smaller runway, about 800 m. long by 30 m. wide, runs approximately northwest-southeast.
4. All the hangars, administrative offices and other buildings are located on the southern side of the field. The fuel dump is underground and is filled from tankcars.
5. The electrical switches for the field are located in a small building attached to the workshop, which is No. 9 on the annexed sketch of the field. The field has three-phase, alternating current, which is brought from a transformer located at the northern edge of the town of Pernek na Zahori. Current for the Pernek mine also is drawn from this transformer. Inside the airfield, current is carried by underground cable.
6. The new Kuchyna airfield is used exclusively by the Czechoslovak Air Force as a

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strafing and bombing training base. There are two large target areas for this training located in the Male Karpaty forested area. One of these is northwest of the airfield, the other southwest.

7. Various Czech Air Force units come to the Kuchyna airfield one after another, presumably for training. never more than from 10 to 20 aircraft on the field - mostly old Soviet IL-16s and YAK-9s, but also German Me-109s. never any civilian air traffic at the field. 25X1
8. The permanent military force at the field is estimated at about 200 men, half of them ground crew personnel and the remainder guard personnel. Major Klemens Bezek was reported to be the commanding officer, but it is possible that he has been relieved.

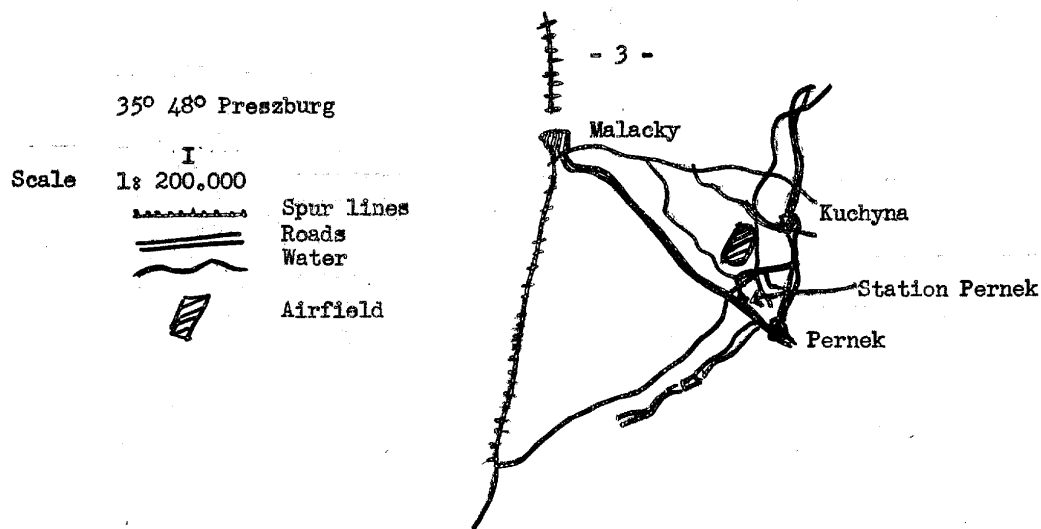
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1. Pernek na Zahori railroad station.
2. Kuchyna railroad station.
3. Single-track railroad line between Zohor and Plavecki Svaty Mikulas.
4. Railroad spur to the Pernek mine.
5. Large runway.
6. Small runway.
7. Location of the underground fuel dump.
8. Aircraft hangars.
9. Workshop.
10. Airfield administration and staff buildings, equipped with radar apparatus.
11. Guarded building whose purpose is unknown; possibly an ammunition dump.
12. Office buildings and barracks; one-story buildings.

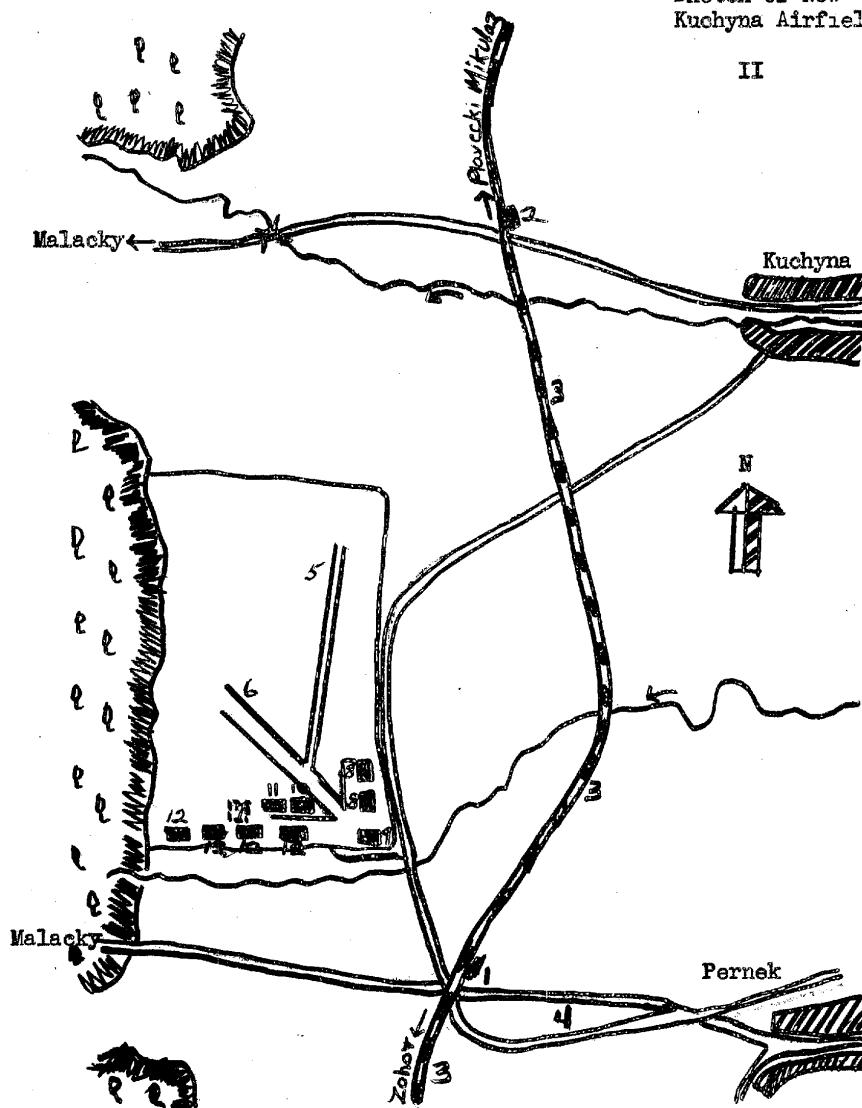
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Sketch of New
Kuchyna Airfield

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